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The first resolution of splitting Micro\$oft, was by far the best and should have been executed. The only people who didn't want that to happen is Micro\$oft and their preferred partners.

I blame the current technology recession on Micro\$oft. Sure! They scared every computerized company on the planet into upgrading their systems because of Y2K, draining their budgets, forcing them to spend money they didn't even have. Well guess what... who wrote the software in the first place that was so susceptible to the year 2000 bug?

One topic I have yet to see, is FALSE ADVERTISING! Micro\$oft has continually lied about how secure their products are. I shouldn't have to explain this one to anyone that can read. Lied about how much easy it is to use when it is progressively getting more difficult.

Selling products that don't work as they are advertised is simply wrong.

There are lemon laws for cars, recalls for everything under the sun. Why doesn't Micro\$oft (and every other software company) have to stand by the products they make? If it doesn't work they way it is advertised, why are they the only industry that can get away with it?

There is quite a bit of speculation about the DOJ's decision to "Wimp out". There are also quite a few people that have formed the conclusion that Micro\$oft paid for the DOJ's decision and now some of you have summer homes, fancy cars, and trust funds for your kids that you never had before.

Do your job and protect us! If you don't... who will?